

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

**Please replace the paragraph bridging pages 6 and 7 of the Specification as filed
with the following amended paragraph:**

A tire according to the present invention is particularly useful when the relationship expressed by the following formula (4) is satisfied:

$$h/H \geq 0.009 \quad (4)$$

wherein h denotes the depth of center grooves, which are the circumferential grooves nearest to the equator line of the tire, and H denotes the nominal outer diameter of the tire according to the notation by TRA.